

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 631

By Southerland

A RESOLUTION to honor David Crockett Birthplace State Historic Park upon receiving an Excellence in Interpretation award.

WHEREAS, this General Assembly takes great pleasure in paying tribute to those professionals who bring history to life through interpretative programs at our State parks; and

WHEREAS, legendary pioneer, soldier, politician, and industrialist David Crockett was born near the town of Limestone in 1786; David Crockett Birthplace State Historic Park commemorates the birthplace of this famous Tennessean and serves as a memorial to him; and

WHEREAS, the 105-acre historic park, just upstream from the falls of the scenic Nolichucky River, includes a limestone marker and replica cabin, as well as visitor center exhibits; and

WHEREAS, David Crockett Birthplace State Historic Park was recently honored for Excellence in Interpretation by Tennessee State Parks; and

WHEREAS, the park hosted the nationally renowned Crockett Days event, which featured fifty reenactors and demonstrators from ten states; and

WHEREAS, David Crockett Birthplace State Historic Park sponsored a cabin raising event, in which volunteers used primitive tools to raise a cabin the old-fashioned way over a four-day period, toiling away while dressed in eighteenth century attire; and

WHEREAS, the park has also sponsored programs for rail laying, corn crib raising, springhouse building, building puncheon tables and benches, tying corn shocks, and other arduous tasks necessary in building an eighteenth century homestead; and

WHEREAS, the management and staff of David Crockett Birthplace State Historic Park should be recognized for their ongoing commitment to interpreting the past for modern-day visitors in an edifying and entertaining manner; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor the management and staff of David Crockett Birthplace State Historic Park upon receiving an Excellence in Interpretation award from Tennessee State Parks, commend their many excellent interpretive programs focusing on David Crockett and the times in which he lived, and wish them all the best in their future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.